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SUBJ: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON THE AMERICAN ECONOMY:

BAHAMIAN NOMINEE

REF: A. STATE 165050 B. NASSAU 0991

1. POST HEREBY NOMINATES MS WILLA MAE BRIDGEWATER, GENERAL SECRETARY OF BAHAMAS TRADE UNION CONGRESS, TO ATTEND MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON THE AMERICAN ECONOMY OCTOBER 11 TO NOV. 9, 1976 (REF A).

2. BORN MARCH 11, 1936 ON RAGGED ISLAND, BAHAMAS, MS BRIDGEWATER WAS EDUCATED AT RAGGED ISLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL AND NASSAU TECHNICAL COLLEGE (NOW COLLEGE OF BAHAMAS) WHERE SHE STUDIED ADVANCED ACCOUNTING. IN ADDITION TO HER TUC POSITION, MS BRIDGEWATER IS PRESIDENT OF THE BAHAMAS COMMUNICATIONS AND PUBLIC OFFICERS UNION, A MEMBER OF THE PRICE CONTROL COMMISSION ON WHICH SHE IS SUB-CHAIRPERSON FOR CONSUMER EDUCATION, AND A MEMBER OF THE JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE MINISTER OF LABOR AND NATIONAL INSURANCE. SHE IS EMPLOYED BY THE BAHAMAS TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORP. AS SUPERVISOR FOR COST AND BUDGET. MS BRIDGEWATER HAS SUPPLEMENTED HER FORMAL EDUCATION WITH COURSES IN HUMAN RELATIONS AT THE BAHAMAS ADULT STUDY CENTER AND DALE CARNAGIE INSTITUTE. SHE HAS ATTENDED VARIOUS SEMINARS AT HOME AND ABROAD INCLUDING A PTTI-SPONSORED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COURSE IN BARBADOS IN 1971, THE AIFLD ADVANCED TRADE UNION LEADERSHIP COURSE AT FRONT ROYAL IN 1973 AND A UNCLASSIFIED

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1975 AIFLD/DANIDA SEMINAR IN BARBADOS ON TRADE UNIONS AND

AGRO-INDUSTRY IN DEVELOPING CARIBBEAN NATIONS.

3. IN ADDITION TO LABOR AND ACCOUNTANCY MS BRIDGWATER'S INTERESTS INCLUDE CONSUMER EDUCATION AND CREDIT UNION MANAGEMENT. IT IS HOPED THAT DURING HER FINAL WEEK IN WASHINGTON, SHE WILL BE ABLE TO BECOME ACQUAINTED WITH ONE OR MORE CREDIT UNION OPERATIONS AND WITH FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE CONSUMER EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

4. MS BRIDGWATER'S NOMINATION IS CONSISTENT WITH POST'S EMPHASIS ON LABOR AND ECONOMICS (REF B).
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